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IN RE APPLICATION FOR REISSUE :  
OF US 5,929,466 TO :  
Yasuo OHBA, et al. : GROUP: Unassigned  
SERIAL NO: New Reissue Application : EXAMINER: Unassigned  
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FOR: SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE AND:  
METHOD OF FABRICATING...

LETTER TO THE COMMISSIONER AND 37 CFR §1.173(C) STATEMENT

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231

SIR:

The Applicants are filing the present reissue application for U.S. 5,929,466 ('466) within 2 years of issuance of '466 in part to enlarge the scope of the claims of the original patent. A reissue oath/declaration will be filed at a later date.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.173(c), the reissue application contains claims 1-44, with claims 1-10 being original to the patent and claims 11-44 being added in the reissue application. Each of claims 1-44 is currently pending.

All claims added in the reissue application are fully supported by the specification. The following table lists the support, in part, for the subject matter recited in the added claims 11-44.

Claim 11: Column 6, lines 11-13

Claim 12: Column 6, lines 23-27

Claim 13: Column 7, lines 24-27

Claim 14: Column 2, lines 59-63

Claim 15: FIG. 2

Claim 16: FIG. 2

Claim 17: FIG. 2, Column 6, lines 23-27

Claim 18: Column 6, lines 23-27

Claim 19: Column 6, line 6

Claim 20: Column 7, lines 21-24

Claim 21: Column 2, lines 59-60

Claim 22: Column 6, line 23

Claim 23: FIG. 2

Claim 24: FIG. 2, Column 7, lines 21-24

Claim 25: Column 6, line 11

Claim 26: Column 7, lines 21-24

Claim 27: Column 6, lines 23-27

Claim 28: Column 2, lines 59-60

Claim 29: FIG. 2

Claim 30: FIG. 2

Claim 31: FIG. 2, Column 7, lines 21-24

Claim 32: Column 7, lines 21-24

Claim 33: Column 7, lines 21-24

Claim 34: Column 6, lines 23-27

Claim 35: Column 2, lines 59-60

Claim 36: FIG. 2

Claim 37: FIG. 2

Claim 38: FIG. 2

Claim 39: Column 7, lines 51-54

Claim 40: Column 7, lines 54-58

Claim 41: Column 2, lines 59-60

Claim 42: FIG. 2

Claim 43: FIG. 2

Claim 44: Column 6, lines 23-27

Examination on the merits of claims 11-44 is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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